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Message-Id: <199809112133.RAA14032@christopher.INS.CWRU.Edu>
Date: Fri, 11 Sep 1998 17:33:47 -0400 (EDT)
From: gcr2@po.CWRU.Edu (George C. Rybicki)
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: SP600 AGC problem solved?

Thanks to all who gave me helpful comments on my agc problem. I did many good things and found some unexpected problems. There are capacitors in the rig that are not black plastics but still can fail. I also found some heat stressed resistors in the bias-agc supply. An alignment helped as did going to the 130 v tap on the transformer, I never see less than 125 with my 200 amp service. My conclusion was that it is an intermodulation problem. Local on 850 khz local on 1300 khz difference 450 khz- close enough to cause trouble. The key to understanding the problem was driving the maximum output of a urm25 signal generator at 850 khz into the rx without any perceivable distortion. 73 George

Message-Id: <199809120022.TAA01773@dfw-ix12.ix.netcom.com>
From: "Howard R. Weeks" <weeksh@ix.netcom.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Date: Fri, 11 Sep 1998 20:20:03 -5
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Subject: Signal Corps Museum

"which mentions their archive of 15,000 TM's they are digitizing as funding"

I work upstairs in the same building this museum is located in. Their funding is about as limited as a military budget can be. Priority for funding must be very low. I have heard rumors that a building on post where they store much of their material that isn't on display has a roof that is falling in.
Howard Weeks
Augusta, GA

Message-Id: <1.5.4.32.19980912022453.0082bb20@mailhost.vuse.vanderbilt.edu>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Date: Fri, 11 Sep 1998 21:24:53 -0500
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: "A.B. Bonds" <ab@vuse.vanderbilt.edu>
Subject: On cap substitution boxes

Cap substitution boxes are handy doodads. I got one (Eico) from a purveyor of debris a few months ago and couldn't wait to use it. A good excuse cropped up last night, so I dug it out of the second pile from the left behind the door and lashed it into the circuit. Oddly, it didn't seem to be capacitating quite right. I tried another switch position and things got worse. The Heathkit (tm) Condenser Checker always sits on the bench, so I did a quick check. Very little eye opening at balance. Even less for a leakage check at 150v. Suspicions start to grow.

A blunt dissection on the patient revealed that it was chock full of those great...Black Beauties. (Sound of teeth gnashing and moans of frustration.) In this case, Pyramid Imps. At least with that handy selector switch it was easy to check 'em. The only caps that hinted of normal operation were the lowest three values, and they were mica. As for the rest, about half yielded reasonable values at balance, but 3/4 of them had severe or deadly leakage at 150 v. Many had leakage at 25 v. All were rated at 400v or more.

Bottom line--they sell cheap at fests for a reason. If you get an Eico, be prepared to replace nearly all of the caps. Sigh. Back to the SX-42, it ain't as broke as this thing....

73

A. B. Bonds

Message-Id: <3.0.5.32.19980911221049.008a4250@pop.pipeline.com>
Date: Fri, 11 Sep 1998 22:10:49 +0000
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: "Lawrence R. Ware" <lrware@pipeline.com>
Subject: AWA Bulletin copy needed
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Good evening folks,
Could someone do me a favor and Xerox this for me?

Old Timers Bulletin, Vol. 33 November 1992, No. 4
"The E. H. Scott Low-Radiation Marine Receivers of World War II," by John T. Meredith.

Costs, postage, etc. cheerfully covered. :-)
-larry

OK, who stopped payment on my reality check?

lrware@pipeline.com

Message-Id: <3.0.5.32.19980911233320.008a9750@pop.pipeline.com>
Date: Fri, 11 Sep 1998 23:33:20 +0000
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: "Lawrence R. Ware" <lrware@pipeline.com>
Subject: Shelby report, (late)
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

If I turned in a report this late in school, the teacher would
of thrown it out... :-(

Having finally caught up on my mail, fixed my d*** computer,
and taken care of waiting customers; I can now report on
Shelby 98, -or- How Boatanchors held my truck down in Erin. :-)

Being determined to attend, I wasn't going to let a little storm
like Hurricane Erin stand in my way. Since I had to drive through
it anyway, I just brought it along all the way to Shelby.
Nothing like a truckload of heavy iron to keep the wind from
blowing you off the highway! :-)

The heavy rains arrived half an hour after I did Thursday afternoon.
And I'd been hoping I'd finally driven out of it. :-(
(After all night in it, I was starting to feel like a U-boat captain.)
Just in time to assure that my partner in crime this year, (Al
Bernard) and I got wet as drowned rats trying to set up our canopy. :-(
The rain was heavy enough that I didn't even unload the truck.

Nick England and John Poulton, (who had arrived the day before) were
happy to inform us (while we struggled to set up the tent)
that all the great deals were already gone anyway... :-)

Kudo's to Haney Howell, who once again had staked out and marked
spots for everybody the weekend before.

By the time the canopy was up, the rain clearly wasn't going to stop
soon, so Al and I retired to the hotel for showers and dry clothes.
Later we met Nick, John and Steve Tell for dinner at a local

restaurant. A pleasant evening of catching up, swapping stories about old radios, and planning tomorrow was spent.

Friday morning proved overcast but dry, so back to the fest we went. After unpacking and setting up, I promptly took off to scope out bargains.... A fun day was had by all, chasing BA's and parts for same.

It seems John P. has a thing for resistors and capacitors, as he bought enough to keep a repair shop supplied for twenty years. :-)

Friday night was dinner at the Shelby Fish Camp, with more radio stories, exchange of want lists, "Did you see the XXX" comments, and much other BA related information being exchanged.

0'Dark-30 Saturday morning arrived with the tailgating area being opened before sunrise. Nick checked out each load as it came in with the aid of his trusty head mounted "miners lamp."
You know, for an older guy, he can really cover ground... :-)

Steve Tell won a non BA, but still pretty neat door prize, some kind of little tiny 2M radio thingy.
(Lucky he didn't have to drive through Erin, that thing would not hold down a sandwich in a summer breeze.... :-)

Saturday night was spent at a Red Lobster visiting with two Daves.
(Dave Wood and friend Dave ? <sorry, but I'm bad about remembering names>
Once again the topic was radios, radios and more radios. :-)

Sunday was much slower than Saturday with me loading up and pulling out shortly after noon. Shelby seemed kinda slow this year, compared to the last two. I'm hoping the hurricane caused the lack of turnout, I'd hate to think it will be off that much next year too.

Sunday afternoon was spent in a pleasant drive up to Chapel Hill to visit with Nick and John on their home turf. Nick was kind enough to put me up for the night, and John's family had us over for dinner. Don't turn either down if ever offered the chance! Nick has quite a radio collection, including a lot of rigs I've never seen except in pictures before. John's wife is a great cook, and the change from restaurant food was greatly appreciated!

Monday morning was spent visiting the UNC labs where Nick and John work their graphics magic. Although I still want to know what they are going to say when the dean wants to know what kind of graphics engine an R388 is. (Several Collins BA's were in stages of disassembly about the lab spaces. :-)

Monday afternoon on the way home I had the chance to meet and spend

some time with list member John Brewer, who was kind enough to throw out the welcome mat and give me a tour of his collection. Another impressive collection of artifacts being preserved with loving care.

(You meet the nicest people in this hobby... :-)

A long drive back to Orlando rounded out the trip.

This year the only item I had to scoop up and bring home with me was the \$20 panadaptor mentioned by another list member. Nationals were scarce this year, with highly over priced examples of rusty old junk being the norm. I did see one very nice looking NC-200 (\$200 asking,) but I don't know if it sold. One early HRO-5 appeared to have the meter from a toy electric train grafted into it. Rusty, dirty, lots of big hole mods, and he wanted \$250 for it. :-)

Unlike the dearth of Nationals, Nick and John seemed to have no problems finding nice old radios. Nick picked up a Johnson that looked like it just came out of the box, and what can I say about John? He once again found a nice Collins that followed him home.

Nick, John and Steve once again had transportation problems, I had to haul all their tenting and tables out for them because the van was full... Guys, bring *two* vans next year... :-)

-Larry Ware

They say:
"Madness takes its toll."
Please have exact change...
lrware@pipeline.com

From: "David Newkirk" <dpnewkirk@home.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: "BoatAnchor List" <boatanchors@theporch.com>,
"Glowbugs List" <glowbugs@piobaire.mines.uidaho.edu>
Subject: RE: QST View CD ROM Questions
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 01:14:17 -0400
Message-ID: <000001bdde0c\$30b9d1e0\$33940318@cc632587-a.vron1.nj.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Jim Hill wrote:

> I've had some problems, and wonder if others have experienced the
> same. For
> example, I searched for regenerative receivers, and found an interesting
> article. I read and printed it, but was stymied when the article was
> continued on another page. I couldn't get to that page.

Yes, this is a weakness of the lame viewer that currently ships with QSTView, and the approach used by the viewer authors to categorize and access issue contents for display. As you've also seen, another abysmal thing about the viewer is that it doesn't display, nor does it allow you to access issue contents by, absolute page numbers.

> I tried Help, but after searching for a while, received the
> following error
> message:
>
> Winhlp 32
> An error has occurred in your program.

[deletion]

This problem is not with QST View, but with Winhelp32, the 32-bit Windows help viewer provided by Microsoft. It's not perfect, either -- no software is -- and some helpfiles can be more problematic to display than others (even if they compile without error in the WinHelp compiler), especially if you do a lot of navigating around, which can entail many window openings and closings.

As a temporary workaround to the "can't access a particular page" problem, if your Windows system includes a utility or larger application capable of displaying .tif files, you're in. (Most recent ones do; the Wang Imaging viewer utility is included for free with recent Win95 installations; Paint Shop Pro is an example of a full-blown program capable of doing what we need.) Just snoop around on the CD-ROM that contains the article you want to view. Notice the directory structure? On the 1933 through 1935 disk, for instance, the issues are in subdirectories called 33, 34 and 35, and under each is are twelve subdirectories, one for each month. Each page in each issue is in a .tif file of its own. But here's the trick: Because Covers I and II of a given issue are treated as the issue's first and second pages (3302001.tif and 3302002.tif), page one of the February 1933 issue is contained in the file 3302003.tif, and so on. So you can use the QST View viewer to view and print, for instance, the contiguous first five pages of H. A. Robinson's excellent "Regenerative Detectors" (February 1933, pages

26-30 and 90), and then use the Win95 image viewer to open the last page you can't get to, 3302092.tif. (The Wang image utility's printing ability is pretty limited; I don't think it can scale an image to fit on a page, for instance. Paint Shop Pro and other big-time programs can.)

As for searching the QST database faster and more usefully than the current QST View functionality allows, the members-only portion of the ARRL website now includes a searchable database of QST and QEX from 1994 back to 1915 (and ARRL HQ staff are working on bringing the database up to current). I highly recommend it as an adjunct to whatever you do with QST View. That it's also of great value to boatanchor/vintage/glowbug radio enthusiasts should go without saying.

73,

Dave Newkirk, W9VES
dpnewkirk@home.com

Message-ID: <35FA0AC7.2A92@vifp.monash.edu.au>
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 15:46:47 +1000
From: Morris Odell <morriso@vifp.monash.edu.au>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Tektronix request
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi all,

Could someone please look up the pin connections of the plug-in socket for the Tek 580 series scopes and email me privately. That's the 580 series, **not** the commoner 530/540 series.

Thanks,

Morris VK3DOC

Message-Id: <3.0.1.32.19980912055523.00691274@pop.mindspring.com>
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 05:55:23 -0400
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
Subject: RE: QST View CD ROM Questions
Cc: "BoatAnchor List" <boatanchors@theporch.com>,
"Glowbugs List" <glowbugs@piobaire.mines.uidaho.edu>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

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Dave -

MY copy of QST View allows direct access to any page of an issue by
clicking on the "Page XX of XX" and then entering a page number. ??

73,

Garey - K40AH
k4oah@mindspring.com
Atlanta

Message-Id: <3.0.1.32.19980912062543.0068f89c@a.crl.com>

Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 06:25:43 -0500

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

From: Phil Mills <pmills@a.crl.com>

Subject: RE: QST View CD ROM Questions

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

>access issue contents for display. As you've also seen, another abysmal
>thing about the viewer is that it doesn't display, nor does it allow you to
>access issue contents by, absolute page numbers.

>

This is not true.....I have 3 sets of QST View and routinely go to
absolute page numbers. Simply click on the "page" pull-down menu at
the top and enter the page number in the appropriate place.

73, Phil

Phil Mills AB5TH
pmills@a.crl.com
Friendswood, TX

From: KA6UUP@aol.com
Message-ID: <22bc0f7.35fa5d1c@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 07:38:04 EDT
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Subject: 60khz IF xformer
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Gentlemen,
I finally decided to give my Hammarlund HC-10 a tune up. It has never worked as well as I thought it should. Well, it turns out that I have an open 60 khx IF coil. The Hammarlund # is M42005. The number on the can is 42005-1. It is a single winding coil. If anyone has one and can help out it would be greatly appreciated.
Thanks
Chuck
ka6uup@aol.com

From: "David Newkirk" <dpnewkirk@home.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: "BoatAnchor List" <boatanchors@theporch.com>,
"Glowbugs List" <glowbugs@piobaire.mines.uidaho.edu>
Subject: RE: QST View CD ROM Questions
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 08:14:16 -0400
Message-ID: <000001bdde46\$dccad800\$33940318@cc632587-a.vron1.nj.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Garey Barrell wrote:

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Yikes! You're right! But here's the thing: Last night, operating with a fresh QST View install I did to specifically test out this problem, *I* couldn't access all of an issue's pages, either. The instructions say, "To browse an entire issue, enter the Year and Month, type *issue in the Article

field, and click Retrieve. This will retrieve all the pages (except covers) for the selected issue. Then use the Current Page indicator and Previous/Next Page buttons to navigate through the issue." I followed those instructions, and the several times I tried I got only the issue's *covers*, and as a result the absolute page number controls were *not enabled.*

Okay, I must revise. When I said

> As you've also seen, another abysmal
> thing about the viewer is that it doesn't display, nor does it allow you
to
> access issue contents by, absolute page numbers.

I was wrong. But I don't yet know why. :-D

My comments about WinHelp32 still hold, of course, as does the background on the QST View file structure.

73,

Dave Newkirk, W9VES
dpnewkirk@home.com

Message-ID: <35FA64C9.C9@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 08:10:49 -0400
From: John Dilks <oldradio@worldnet.att.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
CC: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Shelby report, (late)
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Lawrence R. Ware wrote:

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> and taken care of waiting customers; I can now report on
> Shelby 98, -or- How Boatanchors held my truck down in Erin. :-)
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Larry,

Great report!

Quite a round trip -- could this be a record "Travelled W miles,
Visited X friends, Stayed at Y homes, Ate Z free dinners" ? But finding
only one BA? Tsh-tsh.

73' John Dilks, K2TQN

Webmaster for the Antique Wireless Association
<http://www.ggw.org/awa> Click on "Page 2"

--and--

for the New Jersey Antique Radio Club
<http://www.eht.com/oldradio>

-----please-visit-----

From: MODSTEPH@ACS.EKU.EDU
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 08:37:24 -0400 (EDT)
Subject: attn Randy (NC) - DX-20's
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Message-id: <01J1P04V0NUA000AE3@ACS.EKU.EDU>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: TEXT/PLAIN; CHARSET=US-ASCII

Got your message but no follow-up. Home computer with addresses crashed - am working this morning ("Saturday School" for some early miscreants) so shall be at work number until noon.

73, Al N5AIT
modsteph@acs.eku.edu

Message-ID: <005501bdde66\$d7e23ac0\$2d18bfd1@n4fs>
From: "Mike B. Feher" <n4fs@monmouth.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: 60khz IF xformer
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 09:03:09 -0700
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Chuck -

If you have no luck with finding an original there are plenty of 85KHz transformers available from the ARC-5 receivers floating around, I can even send you one. You can take the guts from it and resonate it at 60KHz with additional capacitance. 73 - Mike

Mike B. Feher, N4FS
89 Arnold Blvd.
Howell, NJ, 07731
732-901-9193

From: PLT1032@aol.com
Message-ID: <a66f1f83.35fa7e29@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 09:59:05 EDT
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Subject: BA sites in San Antonio and Austin
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Can anyone direct me to Boatanchors in these areas? I am in the area for a week.

Bob Lindgren

From: hikrbikr@erols.com
Message-ID: <35FA3675.664C@erols.com>
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 09:53:09 +0100
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Viking Challenger question
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ahoy! Through the kindness of Packy Pickrell, AE30, I have a Challenger in very good condition. I've cleaned it, repaired the final tank coil, replaced filter caps and power cord, and am going through the circuit to document a few obvious mods and check components. Are there any recommended mods I should know about or useful experience you might offer in using this cute little transmitter?

Hope to see some of you at Gaithersburg hamfest this Sunday, 10AM at food area.

73, Mike Steussy AE4R
Vienna VA
hikrbikr@erols.com

Message-ID: <006001bdde60\$d4240900\$0febfdd0@manuelma>
From: "Manuel W4SSB" <mmaseda@gte.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: BA sites in Honolulu
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 11:20:07 -0400
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Can anyone direct me to any boatanchors sites in Honolulu?

Manuel W4SSB

Message-Id: <3.0.1.32.19980912134840.00693414@pop.mindspring.com>
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 13:48:40 -0400
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
Subject: Re: QST View Problems
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 09:45 AM 9/12/98 -0700, you wrote:

>Thanks to all of you for your responses.

>Regarding viewing continued pages:

>After selecting an article by searching for title, etc., you cannot view or
>print the continued pages. Grant, NQ5T pointed out that another "search" is
>required, the second time with *issue in the Article field, and the
>correct year and month in the year and month fields. Use the continued page
>number (actual QST page number, not arbitrary page numbers QST View uses
>when displaying the first search) to go to the continued page. More on this
>at the end of my message. Should have copied Grant's message, he described
>it better.

Correct... Apparently, once you select an article it only brings in the
contiguous pages of that article. The "1 - 4" refers only to the pages in
that "subset" rather than the actual QST pages. I have always used the
"issue" method, read the Table of Contents, and gone from there. Normally
I am using FBT0 or another index to find a particular article first.

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>Regarding the Winhlp 32 error message:

>I'm still having problems. Garey, K40AH, pointed out there is an on-line
>update to version 1.04. <http://www.arrl.org/notes/qstv/> said this version
>provided a fix for winhlp32 crashes. I downloaded it, and I definately have
>version 1.04. Checked by clicking Help, About QST View, and restarted the
>computer for good measure.

>

>Try the following and see if you have my problem:

>Bring up QST View with disk 1 of 1930-1939 in the drive. Click HELP,
>Search. The Index screen/folder in the Help Topics window should be

>displayed (other choice is Find). Click G in area 1 to select Goto. Click
>Display. The Topics Found screen is displayed. If necessary, select Current
>Page Indicator/Go to Page , and click Display.

I was able to access ALL help topics from the "Goto" list. No problem.
Using a Compaq 4508, 200 MHz PII, 48MB.

Garey - K40AH
k4oah@mindspring.com
Atlanta

Message-ID: <01BDDE64.0849EBC0@mys15.riconnect.com>
From: "Christopher A. Bowne" <radiobwn@riconnect.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: What BAs Did Dad Use?
Date: Sat, 12 Sep 1998 15:42:58 -0400
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

I had a discussion with my Dad the other day regarding what he did in =
the Army in the early 50s. Turned out that he was assigned to anti =
aircraft artillery unit, that trained in Wisconsin, and later was =
assigned to the south of Germany, near Wiesbaden. His memory was kind of =
fuzzy on the fire control radars and communications equipment his =
outfit used. He did remember using the GRC-9...they knew them even then =
ans the angry 9s...and he described a fire control radar that had two =
operators, one tracking target azimuth, and one tracking elevation on =
seperated CRT displays. The unit had 40mm AA guns and some larger stuff =
that was controlled by the radars.

Any OTs out there know any more details on the stuff he would have =
used?

73,

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Subject: DLARC swap meet

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

I went to the Delaware/Lehigh ARC swap meet in Schnecksville, PA this morning. Got there at 7 am. Saw one sick-looking BC221; nothing else green. Lots of dubious computer stuff; monitors, floppy and hard drives, cases, etc. The days when that stuff was worth buying are fading rapidly now that you can purchase a new 190 mhz Pentium-class system with 24 meg RAM, 1.6 gb hard drive, etc for \$399. (No monitor.)

Saw various rigs in various conditions, but seemed priced too high and I wasn't looking for anything anyway.

Saw a Hickok 191X "Crystal Controlled Microvolt Generator"; 125 Kc to 120 Mc in 7 bands plus 100Kc and 1000Kc crystal positions. It was marked \$1.00; I looked at it, the price dropped to \$0.50 then to \$0.25 and then to free without me saying anything derogatory about it. I took pity on it and honored it by paying \$0.25 for it. I can best describe its physical condition by saying that I took it out into the back yard before opening it up. It will take a lot of DeOxit and re-capping and TLC, but it does have a very nice half-moon panel meter. A schematic would be a nice thing to have, though.

Got an Eico 324 Signal Generator for \$2.00. 130 kc to 145 mc + third harmonic calibration for 110 to 435 mc. Condition is a 7. A schematic for it would be nice, although it is simple enough that all I would need to know is the tube types since I can't read them.

Bought a variac-type variable transformer for \$8.00. It jumped out of the bag and bounced down the cellar steps when I got it home, so it will need some physical therapy with crazy-glue.

Anyway, not very exciting and I left at 9 am to put up blinds in my daughter's apartment. If the meet was more than 12 miles from home, I would have been disappointed, but it was worth \$3 admission and the \$10.35 out-of-pocket just to figure out that I can pass on it next year.

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Followers of Warm Rigs,
I am desperately looking for a schematic for the heathkit HP-23 and HP-23C power supply. All I need is the schematics. any help appreciated.

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Hi All,

The topic of "boatanchor safety" comes up from time to time, and I'll admit I'm probably one who pay's less attention that I ought to. I've been restoring a Johnson Thunderbolt amplifier out in the garage, using an old Grundig console radio to support it, rather than a proper workbench. I was bending over to pick up a tool and happened to bump it just right, causing one of the legs to give way - and watched all 125 pounds of T-bolt take a swan-dive onto the concrete floor!

Fortunately, it didn't land on the newly-replaced front panel, but both final tubes and a couple of ceramic insulators were demolished. An expensive lesson! I'm just glad no one was hurt, especially me!

So, in addition to obeying the one-hand rule around HV and following other safety rules - Don't trust a flimsy-makeshift support when working on valuable BAs! 'Tain't a pretty sight!

If anyone has a pair of 4-400A's for sale at a reasonable price, please let me know. And if you'd like a 3-legged Grundig console, I might just deliver it - in pieces!

73, Bob W9RAN

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